

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY

CV 2022-095403

12/13/2022

HONORABLE PETER A. THOMPSON

CLERK OF THE COURT
V. Felix
Deputy

KARI LAKE

BRYAN JAMES BLEHM

v.

KATIE HOBBS, et al.

DAVID ANDREW GAONA

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MINUTE ENTRY

Courtroom 206 – Southeast Facility

11:40 a.m. This is the time set for Return Hearing on Contestant/Plaintiff's Complaint in Special Action and Verified Statement of Election Contest Pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-672 filed December 9, 2022. Plaintiff Kari Lake is present with counsel, Bryan Blehm. Defendant Katie Hobbs (personally as Contestee and in her official capacity as Governor-elect) is represented by counsel, Alexis Danneman, and (in her official capacity as the Arizona Secretary of State) counsel, D. Andrew Gaona. Defendant Secretary of State's client representative, Sambo "Bo" Dul, is present. Defendants Bill Gates; Clint Hickman; Jack Sellers; Thomas Galvin; Steve Gallardo (in their official capacities as members of the Board of Supervisors for Maricopa County); Stephen Richer (in his official capacity as the Maricopa County Recorder) and Jared Scott (in his official capacity as the Director of Elections for Maricopa County) (collectively, the "Maricopa County Defendants") are represented by counsel, Thomas P. Liddy, Joseph LaRue and Karen Hartman-Tellez.

Today's hearing is being held through Court Connect with all parties and/or counsel appearing virtually. A record of the proceedings is made digitally in lieu of a court reporter.

Discussion is held regarding service of the Complaint. Based on the statements made on the record,

IT IS ORDERED as follows:

- All motions to dismiss shall be filed no later December 15, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.
- Plaintiff's unified response is due by December 17, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.
- Separate replies shall be filed no later than December 18, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
- All filings with respect to the motion(s) to dismiss are to be served by email and AZTurboCourt. Courtesy copies shall be provided directly to this Division.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED setting Oral Argument regarding motions to dismiss on **December 19, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. (time allotted: 2 hours)** before Judge Peter A. Thompson. The hearing shall be held virtually through Court Connect/Microsoft Teams. All parties and their counsel will be provided with the Microsoft Teams link invitation in advance of the hearing.

LET THE RECORD REFLECT argument is held on Defendants' Oral Motion to Protect Voter Information.

IT IS ORDERED granting the Oral Motion. The Declaration of Shelby Busch (identified as ex. 12 of the Declaration of Kurt Olsen in Plaintiff's December 9, 2022 Complaint) and all associated attachments are to be sealed by the Clerk of the Court, not to be opened without further order of the Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED setting an Evidentiary Hearing regarding Plaintiff's underlying Complaint on **December 21, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. (time allotted: 2 days)** before Judge Peter A. Thompson. The hearing shall be held virtually through Court Connect/Microsoft Teams. All parties and their counsel will be provided with the Microsoft Teams link invitation in advance of the hearing.

Discussion is held regarding the rules and procedures governing a party's request for inspection of the ballots.

12:14 p.m. Matter concludes.

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MARKING EXHIBITS

Exhibits must be submitted to the clerk by no later than **December 20, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.** You must submit your exhibits as follows:

This Division requires hard copies of all exhibits. Exhibits must be hand-delivered to the Division.

- An Exhibits Coversheet must be completed and submitted as the top coversheet of your exhibits. The Exhibit Coversheet must include your case number, the case caption, the

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date of your hearing, the Judicial Officer assigned to your case, and the name of the party submitting the exhibits.

- Exhibits must be separated by a colored sheet of paper with the exhibit number written on front. Each exhibit must be clipped or bound if too large to be stapled. Exhibits also may be provided in a three-ring binder, with each exhibit separated by a tabbed, numbered divider. If exhibits are not clearly separated, they will be combined as one (1) document.
- Provide a separate copy of exhibits in a three-ring binder, with each exhibit separated by a tabbed, numbered divider, to be used by the trial judge.
- **Failure to obey these orders may result in exclusion of the exhibit and/or waiver of objections.**
- **PLEASE NOTE: The Clerk of Court policies and procedures do not allow the clerk to hold exhibit numbers for exhibits to be submitted later. Exhibits are marked in the order in which they are received.**
- Before you submit hard copies of your exhibits, scan them into PDF files so that you can refer witnesses to them via the Court Connect application and ensure you have the PDF copies saved on the device you intend to utilize at the hearing. Provide copies of the exhibits to the other side and to the division **no later than five (5) business days prior to your hearing.**